

REMARKS

With this Preliminary Amendment, Claims 28-57 are canceled without prejudice. Thus, upon entry of this Amendment Claims 1-27 will be pending and under consideration.

I. THE AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

The specification has been amended to incorporate an Abstract. The Abstract is fully supported by the specification as originally filed at, for example, page 2, line 31, through page 3, line 5. As the Abstract is fully supported by the specification as originally filed, it does not constitute new matter. Entry thereof is respectfully requested.

II. THE AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS


Applicants have canceled Claims 28-57 are canceled without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to pursue any canceled subject matter in one or more continuation, divisional and/or continuation-in-part applications.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that Claims 1-27 of the captioned Application satisfy all of the requirements for patentability and are in condition for allowance. Passage of Claims 1-27 to issuance is therefore kindly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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